(e) if so, by when the land acquisition will start; and

(f) whether time frame has been fixed by the Government of India to start the Vadodara-Mumbai Express Highway?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) As the feasibility study has not been completed so far, the request for qualification has not been invited.

(d) Yes Sir.

(e) and (f) The process of land acquisition would be started after completion of the feasibility study and it may take about two years to complete. The work is likely to be awarded by March, 2011 and targeted to be completed by 2015.

Progress of NH projects under the flagship NHDP

1510. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the current progress of the National Highway projects under the flagship National Highways Development Programme (NHDP);

(b) whether Government has constituted a committee to speed up completion of these projects: and

(c) if so, the recommendations of the committee and the action proposed thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) Details of the overall present status of the National Highway projects under National Highways Development Pcoject (NHDP) are enclosed as Statement *(See* below).

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. Government has constituted a committee under the chairmanship of B. K. Chaturvedi. Member, Planning Commission to ramping up of NHDP. The committee has given wide ranging recommendations including modes of delivery of contracts, program financing, borrowings, support required from the Government, modifications in Model Concession Agreement (MCA), Request For Qualification (RFQ) and Request For Proposal (RFP). The Government has accepted the recommendations of the committee and initiated actions to implement the same.

Statement

Details of Overall status of National Highway projects under NHDP, as on 31 October, 2009

NHDP Phases	Total Length in km	Date of Approval	Approved Cost (Expenditure till 31.10.2009) in Rs Crore	Length Completed in km	Length under Imp.	To be awarded	Likely date of Completion
I GQ, EW-NS corridors, Port connectivity & others	7,498	12.12.2000	30,300 (36009.16)	7240	252	6	99% of GQ will be completed by Mar -10
II 4/6-laning North South-East West Corridor, Others	6,647	18.12.2003	34,339 (34080.83)	3764	2227	657	Dec -2010
III A Upgradation, 4/6-laning	4,815	05.03.2005, 27.10.2006 & 12.4.2007	33,069	1045	2605	1165	Dec-2013
III B Upgradation, 4/6-laning	7,294	12.4.2007	47,557	-	-	7294	Dec-2013
Total phase III (phase III A + IIIB)	12,109	-	80,626 (11051.97)	1045	2605	8459	Dec. 2013
IV 2 - laning with paved shoulders*	20,000	July -2008 for 5000 km	27,800	-	-	-	Dec. 20 15 (as per financing plan)
V 6-laning of GQ and High density corridor	6,500	05.10.2006	41,210 (1725.86)	148	882	5470	Dec -2012
VI Expressways	1000	02.11.2006	16,680 (NIL)	NIL	NIL	1000	Dec -2015
VII Ring Roads, Bypasses and flyovers and other structures	700 km of ring roads/ bypass + flyovers	06.12.2007	16,680(NIL)		19	681	Dec-2014